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1. ASSUME KABUL 4861 ANNOUNCING TENDER AND AUGUST 25 DEADLINE ANSWERS TIMING QUESTION PARA 1 REFTEL. EMBASSY BELIEVES ANOTHER VISIT WOULD BE VALUABLE, BUT ONLY WHEN RESPONSE TO LATEST TENDER COMPLETED. IF BALLARD COULD BRING TENDER SOME DAYS IN ADVANCE DEADLINE, WE BELIEVE TOUFIQUI WOULD BE GLAD TO SEE HIM.

2. NOLAN PIKE OF IECO AND FOSTER OF FOI BOTH ARRIVED KABUL WEEKNOF JULY 22 AND SHORTLY PROCEEDED TO KAJAKAI. PIKE VISITED EMBASSY, DROPPED CARD ON TOUFIQUI WITHOUT SEEING HIM, WHILE FOSTER CALLED US AND INDICATED DESIRE TO VISIT EMBASSY LATER. PRIMARY PURPOSE OF VISIT, OTHER THAN ORIENTATION FOR VCKD#, WAS APPARENTLY TO STRAIGHTEN OUT DIFFICULTIES WITH EACH OTHER REGARDING KAJAKAI PROJECT. BOTH MEN RETURNED TO KABUL WEEK OF AUGUST 2 AND BOTH PLAN ON MEETING WITH TOUFIQUI REGARDING JOINT VENTURE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER AFTER INITIAL MEETINGS CONCLUDED.
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